My name is Ann Marie Cleary and I live in Wolcott, Connecticut. I fully support HB 7254, An Act Requiring Special Education Teachers to Complete a Program of Study in Evidence-Based Structured Literacy Interventions for Students with Dyslexia.

• I am currently in PPT meeting with my sons school he has all the indicators of dyslexia testing done at school supports the identification of SLD dyslexia, however the staff is under educated in the area of dyslexia especially in the area of students with multiple levels of success.

As a parent and as an educator myself it is very disappointing to see that the school system we are a part of this not have educated staff members who can successfully program for my child who is struggling with his learning and growing more and more frustrated as time goes on and being told he's not trying hard enough however he is because he speaks very openly about wanting to do better but just does not know how to do it.

Thank you for supporting this act.

Ann Marie cleary